

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DEWINE, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3570. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2007 through 2011, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3571. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear valued over \$20 a pair with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3572. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain women's footwear with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3573. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain men's footwear with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3574. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain men's footwear valued over \$20 a pair with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3575. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain women's footwear valued over \$20 a pair with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3576. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain other footwear valued over \$20 a pair with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3577. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain men's footwear covering the ankle with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3578. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain footwear not covering the ankle with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3579. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain women's footwear covering the ankle with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3580. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain women's footwear not covering the ankle with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3581. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain other footwear covering the ankle with coated or laminated textile fabrics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 3582. A bill to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3583. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to regulate payroll tax deposit agents; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 3584. A bill to amend chapter 41 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment and authorization of funding for certain training programs for supervisors of Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3585. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and expand the availability of health savings accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3586. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the dollar limitation on contributions to funeral trusts; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. Res. 521. A resolution commending the people of Albania on the 61st anniversary of the liberation of the Jews from the Nazi death camps, for protecting and saving the lives of all Jews who lived in Albania, or sought asylum there during the Holocaust; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ALLEN):

S. Res. 522. A resolution celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Cities of Bristol, Tennessee and Bristol, Virginia; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. SMITH):

S. Res. 523. A resolution commending the Oregon State University baseball team for winning the 2006 College World Series; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. ALLEN):

S. Con. Res. 106. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding high level visits to the United States by democratically elected officials of Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 345

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 345, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to deliver a meaningful benefit and lower prescription drug prices under the medicare program.

S. 757

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 757, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer.

S. 1353

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) was added as a cosponsor of

S. 1353, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of an Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated.

S. 1896

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1896, a bill to permit access to Federal crime information databases by educational agencies for certain purposes.

S. 1911

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1911, a bill to provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2025

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2025, a bill to promote the national security and stability of the United States economy by reducing the dependence of the United States on oil through the use of alternative fuels and new technology, and for other purposes.

S. 2140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2140, a bill to enhance protection of children from sexual exploitation by strengthening section 2257 of title 18, United States Code, requiring producers of sexually explicit material to keep and permit inspection of records regarding the age of performers, and for other purposes.

S. 2157

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2157, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the Purple Heart to be awarded to prisoners of war who die in captivity under circumstances not otherwise establishing eligibility for the Purple Heart.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug.

S. 2354

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2354, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the coverage gap in prescription drug coverage under part D of such title based on savings to the Medicare

program resulting from the negotiation of prescription drug prices.

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to provide lasting protection for inventoried roadless areas within the National Forest System.

S. 2487

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2487, a bill to ensure an abundant and affordable supply of highly nutritious fruits, vegetables, and other specialty crops for American consumers and international markets by enhancing the competitiveness of United States-grown specialty crops.

S. 2551

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2551, a bill to provide for prompt payment and interest on late payments of health care claims.

S. 2563

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2563, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require prompt payment to pharmacies under part D, to restrict pharmacy co-branding on prescription drug cards issued under such part, and to provide guidelines for Medication Therapy Management Services programs offered by prescription drug plans and MA-PD plans under such part.

S. 2658

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2658, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the national defense through empowerment of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau and the enhancement of the functions of the National Guard Bureau, and for other purposes.

S. 2664

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2664, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to pharmacies under part D.

S. 2679

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2679, a bill to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and for other purposes.

S. 2703

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor

of S. 2703, a bill to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

S. 2917

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2917, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to ensure net neutrality.

S. 2990

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) were added as cosponsors of S. 2990, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore financial stability to Medicare anesthesiology teaching programs for resident physicians.

S. 3548

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3548, a bill to authorize appropriate action if negotiations with Japan to allow the resumption of United States beef exports are not successful, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 94

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 94, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the needs of children and youth affected or displaced by disasters are unique and should be given special consideration in planning, responding, and recovering from such disasters in the United States.

S. RES. 224

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 224, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate supporting the establishment of September as Campus Fire Safety Month, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4271

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4271 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4390

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4390 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DEWINE, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3570. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2007 through 2011, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I rise today to join Senator DEWINE, Senator KENNEDY and Senator MIKULSKI in introducing the Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006.

The Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006 is the primary source for the delivery of social and nutrition services for older individuals. Enacted in 1965, the act's programs include supportive services, congregate and home-delivered nutrition services, community service employment, the long-term care ombudsman program, and services to prevent the abuse, neglect and exploitation of older individuals. The act also provides grants to Native Americans and research, training, and demonstration activities.

The 2000 amendments to the act authorized the National Family Caregiver Support Program; allowed State agencies on aging to impose cost-sharing for certain supportive services for older persons; revised the State funding formulas; and required the Department of Labor to establish performance measures for the community service employment program.

Title I of the Older Americans Act set broad social policy objective to improve the lives of all older Americans. It recognized the need for an adequate income in retirement, and the importance of physical and mental health, employment in community services for older individuals and long-term care services.

Title II established the Administration on Aging, AOA, within the Department of Health and Human Services to be the primary Federal advocate for older individuals and to administer the provisions of the Older Americans Act. It also established the National Eldercare Locator Service to provide nationwide information with regard to resources for older individuals; the National Long-term Care Ombudsman Resource Center; the National Center on Elder Abuse; the National Aging Information Center; and the Pension Counseling and Information Program. The 2006 amendments will establish an Office of Elder Abuse Prevention and Services to develop a long-term plan and national response to elder abuse prevention, detection, treatment, and intervention. Further, the 2006 amendments strengthen the leadership of the Department of Health and Human Services through an interagency coordinating committee to guide policy and program development across the Federal Government with respect to aging and demographic changes.

Title III authorized grants to State and area agencies on aging to act as